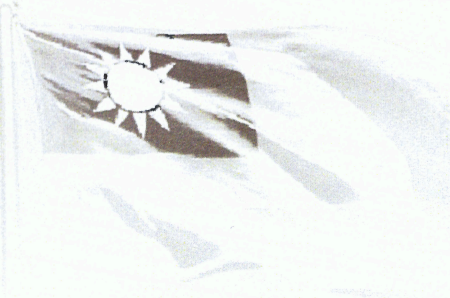
Story:

It happened one day in the spring. Chinese fighter planes crossed into Taiwan airspace. Althought not something to be overly concerned about, they remained there for over ten minutes, an unusual procedure.

The alarm was raised in Taiwan, and efforts were made to secure the nation, luckily just in time. What started out as a few planes turned into a full-fledged invasion, with China attacking Taiwan from all directions!

It is up to you to fly a plane through Taiwan, to secure its freedom and sovereignty. Good luck!



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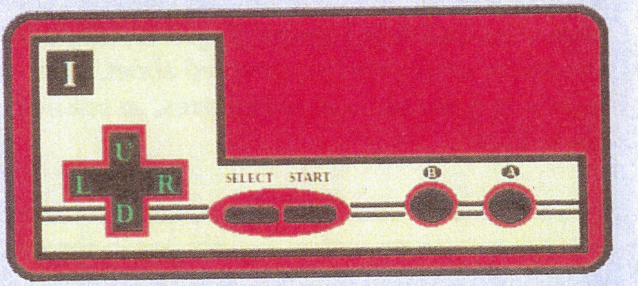


U – move plane up

D – move plane down

L – move plane left

R – move plane right

Start – starts game

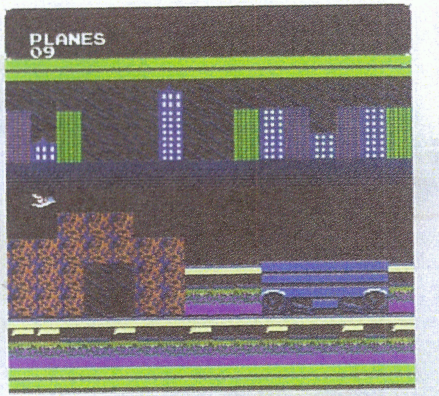
B = shoot weapon, pick up intercom

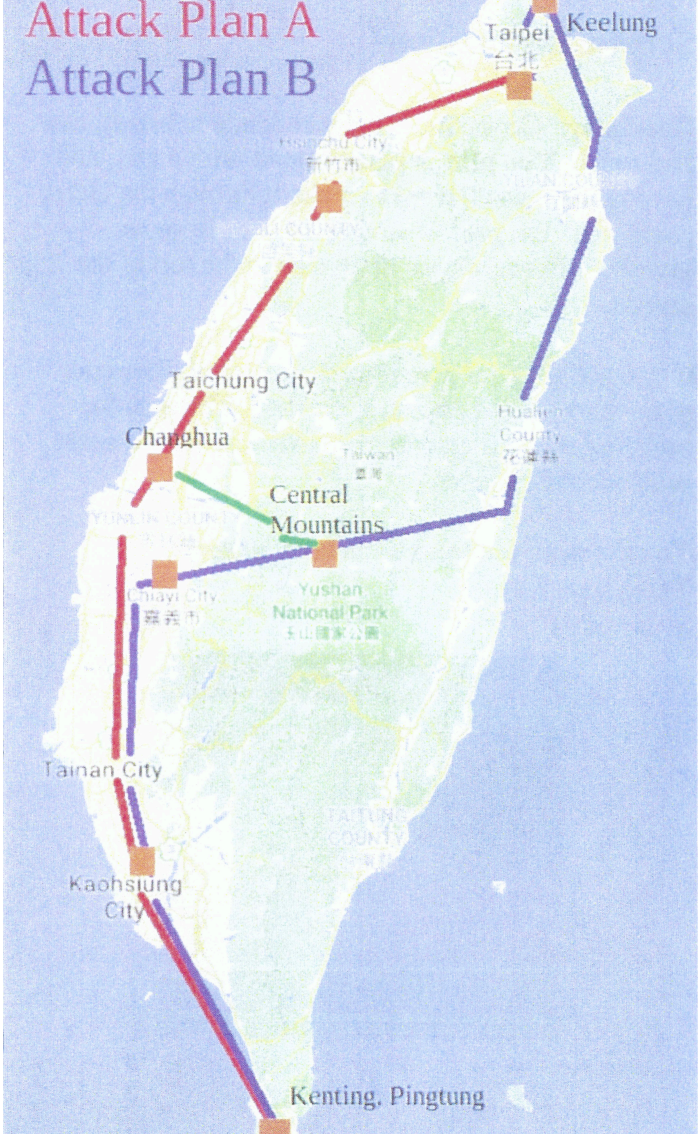
Screen Explanation

Gameplay: Cross Strait Independence is brutal, raw, and rough. You pilot a plane armed with a gun, and have nine planes (lives) to make it through the entire game, with the goal of saving Taiwan from an invasion. The lives are displayed at the top of the screen.

If you get hit, your plane crashes, period. Run your plane into a solid object, it crashes. Although the odds are stacked against you, real war isn't a game with second chances.

To save your progress in an area, grab the Taiwanese flags.




Attack Plan A
Attack Plan B
Keelung
Taipei
台北
Taichung City
Changhua
Central
Mountains
Yushan
National Park
Tainan City
Kaohsiung
City
Kenting, Pingtung

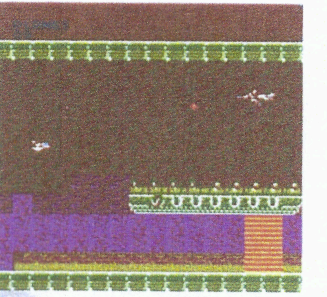
Areas:

Kenting

The fight starts here. Chinese soldiers storm the beaches and the Eluanbi area, so you must prevent them from getting further into Taiwan.

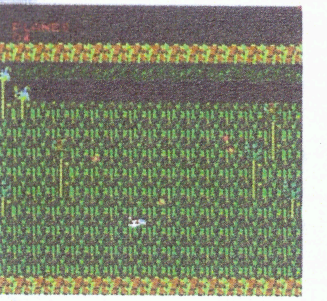
Kaohsiung

The port city of Kaohsiung, just slightly north of Kenting, has also been overrun by the enemy. Their plan is to smuggle drugs into Taiwan.



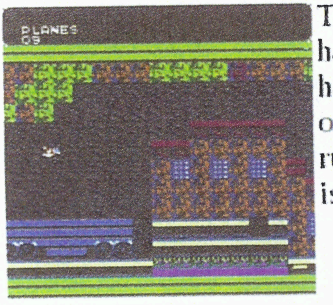
Sunny Chiayi to Changhua

After stamping out the disturbance in Kaohsiung, you must fly over the rice fields and navigate though betal nut forests, in an attempt to stop the enemy from joining up with communist sympathizers in Changhua County.



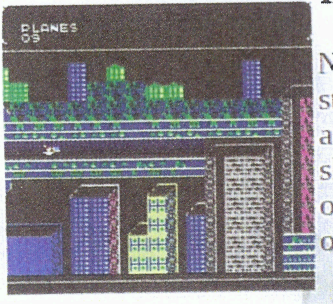
Areas: (Continued)

Hsinchu



The trainyard in Hsinchu has fallen into Commie hands! Reclaim the tracks, or the enemy will try to run arms across the island.

Taipei

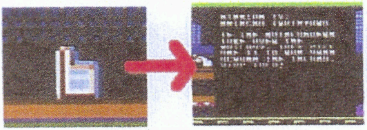


Navigate through the busy streets of Taipei, before arriving at 101, for a final showdown. Time to put our favourite cuddly bear out of business for keeps.

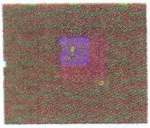
Throughout your journey across Taiwan, if you are careful you may discover some hidden passageways to secret areas of the game. Do not leave any stone unturned.

Items

Intercoms

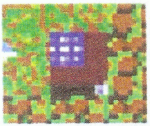


Collect an intercom at the beginning of the stage to be debriefed as to your mission.



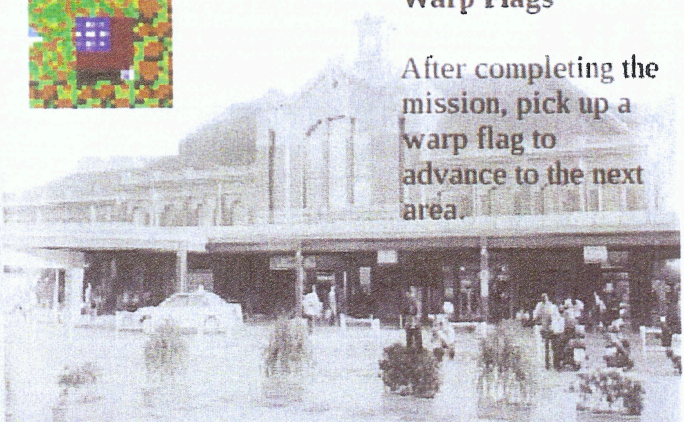
Checkpoint Flag

Collect the checkpoint flags to restart the stage, either at the halfway point or promptly before the stage boss.

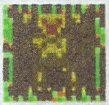


Warp Flags

After completing the mission, pick up a warp flag to advance to the next area.



Enemies



Betel Nut Monkeys
On your way through central Taiwan, you will encounter monkeys in the trees. They enjoy chewing and spitting betal nuts at you.

Steamed Dumplings
Yummy steamed dumplings. Don't get burned by the steam, or bust your wings on the basket's rough edges.

Planes
During the fight for independence, you will stumble upon a variety of planes. Some are suicidal, eager to crash directly into you, while others value their lives and prefer to shoot you down.

Betel Nut Trees

Betel nut trees adorn the landscape of Taiwan. Although the fruit will give you a nice buzz, whipping into a tree is never recommended.